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1. The timely submission under 37 CFR 1.129(a) filed on July 25, 2003 is not fully responsive to the prior Office action because the marked-up version of the specification and claims must be made with respect to the pending specification and claims. Note that the previously submitted substitute specification has not been entered. It is further noted that the new rules for submitting an amendment must be followed.
2. Since the submission appears to be a bona fide attempt to provide a complete reply to the prior Office action, applicant is given a shortened statutory period of ONE MONTH or THIRTY DAYS from the mailing date of this letter, whichever is longer, to submit a complete reply. This shortened statutory period supersedes the time period set in the prior Office action. This time period may be extended pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a). If a notice of appeal and the fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(e) were filed prior to or with the payment of the fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(r), the payment of the fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(r) by applicant is construed as a request to dismiss the appeal and to continue prosecution under 37 CFR 1.129(a). The appeal stands dismissed.
3. Any inquiry concerning this communication should be directed to Examiner Meislin at (703) 308-3671.

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